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Applicant: Norio HAGA et al.

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 12, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page _____ of this paper.

☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page _____ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

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